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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: S. SEKIGUCHI, et al

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For: METHOD FOR STORAGE MANAGEMENT OF STORAGE RESOURCE
ON A STORAGE NETWORK

Group: 2175

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within the third month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action dated June 7, 2004. A Credit Card Payment Form authorizing the amount of \$980.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of MATTINGLY, STANGER & MALUR, P.C., Account No. 50-1417 (Case No. 500.41164X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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